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DIFFERENTIATION IN STEM CELLS, METHODS OF GENERATING TISSUE USING SCAFFOLD MATRICES...

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Restriction Action mailed March 19, 2004, which response is being made on or before April 19, 2004.

Applicants hereby elect Group IV, namely Claims 18-28 drawn to methods of generating an artificial micro-organ.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to any one or more of the non-elected Groups.

Respectfully submitted,

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